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- 1. OBVIOUSLY REFERRING TO THE RECENT UNCOVERING OF THE PCU MILITARY APPARATUS AND OF THE DISCOVERY OF A HUGE QUANTITY OF ARMS, FOREIGN MINISTER BLANCO IS REPORTED TO HAVE MADE THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS TO THE PRESS ON DECEMBER 29.
- 2. QUOTE IN THE FIELD WHICH IN ITSELF IS POLITICAL AND ON ACCOUNT OF NOTORIOUS EPSIODES ALL OVER THE WORLD I WANT TO UNDERLINE AGAIN BEFORE YOU THE FIRM DECISION OF THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT TO COMBAT AND TO OPPOSE FRONTALLY AND RADICALLY INTERNATIONAL SUBVERSIVE ACTIONS, THE ACTIONS OF INTERNATIOMAL TERRORISM AND ALL FORMS OF INTERVENTION DIRECT OF INDIRECT, FROM WHATEVER QUARTER, IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF ANOTHER COUNTRY, PARTICULARLY OUR COUNTRY. ALL OF YOU WILL REMEMBER THE DISCOURSES WHICH URUGUAY HAS MADE IN THIS SENSE FOR MANY YEARS. AND I WANT TO UNDERLINE THAT THESE EXHORTATIONS WERE MADE NOT ONLY FOR NATIONAL BUT ALSO INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION.YOU WILL ALSO REMEMBER WITH HOW MUCH SKEPTICISM THESE WORDS WERE RECEIVED.

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3. IT WAS ONLY THOUGHT THAT WE WERE PRESENTING OUR OWN POSITION

BECAUSE OF INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES; IN ORDER TO DIMINISH OR ALLEVIATE OUR INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES. REALLY WE ARE PRESENTING THE TRUTH, THE TRUTH OF AN INTERNATIONALLY ORCHESTRATED AGGRESSIVE, INTERVENTIONIST PLOT CLEARLY INTERVENING IN OUR AFFAIRS. THESE ACTIONS ARE USED TO RETARD OUR DEVELOPMENT AND THE PROCESS OF NATIONAL RECOMSTRUCTION, AND TO SOW FACTORS OF INCONFORMITY AND INTERNAL DISCORD. THE URUGUAYAN POLICTICAL PROCESS DEVELOPED OVER ALL OF THESE YEARS HAS PERMITTED THE FORMATION OF A NATIONAL FRONT, AUTHENTICALLY NATIONAL, ABOVE PARTIES OR INCIDENTAL FACTIONS, IN ORDER TO DEFEND OUR COUNTRY FROM THIS AGGRESSION. AND THE VOICE OF ALARM WHICH WE SOUNDED ON ANOTHER OCCASION WE REPEAT TODAY BEFORE THESE NEW DEMONSTRATIONS OF BARBARITY WHICH WE SEE IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD.

4. IT WAS ALSO THEN THAT URUGUAY CLEARLY STATED THAT IT WAS NOT CORRECT TO SAY THAT THESE SUBVERSIVE AND TERRORIST ACTIONS WERE CAUSED BY ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES OR BY INTERNAL SOCIAL PROBLEMS BUT THAT

THESE LATTER FACTORS WERE MERELY A PRETEXT IN ORDER TO DEVELOP A POLICY OF CONQUEST, INFILTRATION, AND POWER. TODAY WE SEE MATERIALIZING THE SAME CRUEL FORMS WHICH ARE CONTRARY TO THE CIVILIZATION WHICH WE SHARE WITH COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT AND CIVILIZATION.

5.UNHAPPILY WE CAN PROVE WITH FACTS THE STATEMENTS WHICH URUGUAY MADE. NEVERTHELESS, I MUST ANNOUNCE THAT IN 1976 THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE PAYING GREAT ATTENTION TO THIS THEME AND WILL OF COURSE OFFER FULL COOPERATION TO ALL THOSE NATIONS WHICH PROGRESSIVELY, WE ARE SURE, WILL BECOME INCORPORATED INTO THE ROLLS OF THOSE NATIONS DETERMINED TO DEFEND CIVILIZATION FROM THIS MENACE WHICH HAS NO FRONTIERS OR FLAGS, BUT WHICH SLOWLY AND CLEARLY WINS POWER.

6. IN THE FACE OF THAT, WE ANSWER WITH THE UNITY OF THE URUGUAYAN PEOPLE, WITH OUR ATTACHMENT TO INTERNATIONAL LAW, AND WITH OUR FIRM CONFIDENCE THAT THESE FACTS WILL BE KNOWN, AND EACH TIME WILL BE BETTER UNDERSTOOD BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTIONS. WE ARE READY FOR THAT MOMENT. UNQUOTE.

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